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EXCHANGE OF LETTERS CONSTITUTING AN ADMINISTRATIVE ARRANGEMENT¹ BETWEEN THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA AND CHINA CONCERNING A VISA SYSTEM FOR TEXTILE EXPORTS

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EMBASSY OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

July 23, 1980

Dear Mr. Wang:

I wish to propose on behalf of my government that the following visa system be established for exports to the United States of cotton, wool and man-made fiber textiles and textile products from the People's Republic of China.

1. Each commercial shipment of cotton, wool and man-made fiber textiles and apparel products will be accompanied by an export visa issued by an official authorized by your government. The visa will be stamped in blue ink on the front of the invoice (special customs invoice Form 5515, successor document or commercial invoice). Each visa will include the signature of the official issuing the visa, the visa number and the date of issuance of the visa.

2. Your government will provide to my government originals in duplicate of the visa stamped marking. Your government will also provide the names of the officials authorized to issue textile export visas, and, subsequently, notifications of any changes therein. A minimum number of officials will be authorized to issue visas.

3. Cotton, wool and man-made fiber textiles and textile products which are not accompanied by an original export visa in accordance with the provisions of paragraph 1 of this letter will be denied entry by my government except upon specific request of your government.

4. My government will publish in the Federal Register the visa requirements set out in this letter upon receipt of (a) your letter confirming your government's acceptance of this letter's proposals and (b) the authorized visa stamp and names of the officials authorized by your government to issue export visas. The visa system proposed by this letter will become effective as soon as possible after Federal Register publication for goods shipped from the People's Republic of China on and after the effective date, and 60 days after the date of Federal Register publication for goods shipped from the People's Republic of China before the effective date. Our governments will mutually agree on the specific dates to be used for the U.S. Federal Register notice and for the effective date of implementation of the visa system.

5. Either government may terminate this visa system by giving 90 days' written notice to the other.

¹ Came into force on 25 July 1980 by the exchange of the said letters.

If the foregoing proposal is acceptable to your government, this letter and your letter of acceptance on behalf of your government shall constitute an administrative arrangement between our two governments.

Sincerely,

[Signed]

WALTER C. LENAHAN Counselor of Embassy for Economic/Commercial Affairs

Mr. Wang Mingjun Managing Director China National Textiles Import and Export Corporation Beijing, People's Republic of China

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CHINA NATIONAL TEXTILES IMPORT AND EXPORT CORPORATION PEKING, CHINA

Ref. 013/03820

Peking, July 25, 1980

Dear Mr. Lenahan:

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter dated July 23, 1980, in which you, on behalf of your government, propose that a visa system be established for exports to the United States of cotton, wool and man-made fiber textiles and textile products from the People's Republic of China.

I wish to inform you that the proposal set forth in your letter is acceptable to our government and confirm that your letter and this letter of acceptance shall constitute an administrative arrangement between our two governments.

In order to establish the visa system as early as possible, I would like to provide on behalf of my government to your government originals in duplicate of the visa stamped marking and twelve names of the officials authorized to issue textiles export visas, which are enclosed herewith.

Sincerely,

[Signed] WANG MINGJUN Managing Director

Mr. Walter C. Lenahan Counsellor of Embassy for Economic/Commercial Affairs Embassy of the United States of America Beijing

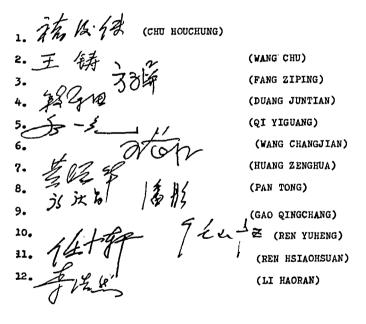
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THE VISA STAMPED MARKING



THE NAMES OF THE OFFICIALS AUTHORIZED TO ISSUE TEXTILE EXPORT VISA



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